Justice Reinvestment Advisory Council Meeting Minutes July 15, 2015

The Justice Reinvestment Advisory Council met at the Indiana Judicial Center in the 8th Floor Conference Center at 30 South Meridian Street in Indianapolis, Indiana on July 15, 2015. The Advisory Council met 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

- 1. Members present. The following members of the Justice Reinvestment Advisory Council were present: Larry Landis, Executive Director of the Indiana Public Defender Council; Jim Oliver, designee of the Executive Director of the Indiana Prosecuting Attorneys Council; Kevin Moore, Director of the Division of Mental Health and Addiction; Randy Koester, designee of the Commissioner of the Indiana Department of Correction; Devon McDonald, Interim Executive Director of the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute; Chris Cunningham, President of the Indiana Association of Community Corrections Act Counties; Linda Brady, President of the Probation Officer's Professional Association of Indiana; Bill Wilson, designee of the President of the Indiana Sheriffs Association; and Jane Seigel, Executive Director of the Indiana Judicial Center and Council Chair.
- 2. Guests present. The following guests also attended the meeting: Julie Lanham and Aaron Garner from the Indiana Department of Correction; Bill Watson from the Indiana Association of Community Corrections Act Counties; Hilary Alderete from the Indiana State Budget Agency; Allison Karns from the Office of Governor Mike Pence; Sara Cozad and Stephanie Spoolstra from the Division of Mental Health and Addiction; and Steve McCaffrey from Mental Health America Indiana.
- **3. Staff assistance.** Jennifer Bauer and Michelle Goodman provided staff assistance to the Advisory Council.
- **4. Approval of minutes.** The minutes from the July 1, 2015 meeting were unanimously approved. Jane Seigel announced that the minutes will be posted to the Judicial Center's website.
- 5. DOC Update. Jane Seigel congratulated DOC for distributing the grant amendment documents. Ms. Seigel reported that she has received many questions about help sessions for the application. Julie Lanham reported that DOC plans to conduct technical assistance training sessions on the following dates: July 30 at New Castle, July 31 in Knox County, August 10 in Wabash County, August 11 in Elkhart County, and August 13 in Porter County. Aaron Garner distributed the DOC monthly population report and stated that the report is required by statute. He gave an overview of the report and highlighted

that most new admissions still fall under the old criminal code (only 8% have a 1006 crime). Randy Koester reported that DOC submits a similar report to the State Budget Agency and will consider a trend report at the end of the year.

- 6. DMHA Update. Kevin Moore presented information on the Healthy Indiana Plan (HIP 2.0) to the Council members. He explained the eligibility criteria and reported that 70% of enrollees are in the HIP Plus plan. Mr. Moore also explained that persons who qualify as "medically frail" qualify for Medicaid and that the term has a fixed definition. Mr. Moore also stated that DMHA expects 400-500,000 people to enroll in HIP. The Council members engaged in a lengthy conversation on who can pay for services to incarcerated persons. DMHA stated that their interpretation of HEA 1006 is that they are limited to paying for services provided to eligible individuals in a community setting and cannot pay for services for incarcerated persons. The Council members discussed the mental health treatment needs of persons sent to jail and whether a court order for the treatment could trigger the voucher. DMHA stated they would discuss the jail option with their legal counsel and report back at the next meeting. Hilary Alderete suggested development of a "cheat sheet" on who can pay for treatment based on where the person is located.
- 7. Future Policy Discussion Items. The Council discussed the following as future policy discussion items: definition of recidivism (subgroup volunteers are Devon McDonald, Mary Kay Hudson, Chris Cunningham, Julie Lanham, Stephanie Spoolstra, David Powell, and Aaron Garner); the real need for funding of mental health services and how to give feedback to the General Assembly (legislative subgroup volunteers are Steve McCaffrey, Larry Landis, Dave Heath, and Linda Brady); data collection (subgroup volunteers are Court Technology, Aaron Garner, Devon McDonald, Kevin Moore, Troy Hatfield and Tom Rhodes); and future roll-out of funding.
- **8. Future Education Opportunities.** The Council discussed the following as future education opportunities: treatment programs, foundations of evidence-based practices, and outcome evaluations/performance measures.
- **9. Next meeting dates.** Jane Seigel announced that the Advisory Council is scheduled to meet on the following dates: August 19 at 1:30-3:30 p.m. and September 25 at 10 a.m.-3 p.m., with locations to be determined.

Respectfully submitted,

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